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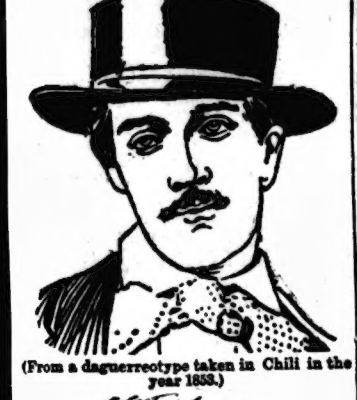
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THE
ENTIRE LIFE
AND
FULL CONFESSION
OF
ARTHUR ORTON.
THE
TICHBORNE CLAIMANT.
[WRITTEN BY HIMSELF.]

HIS REMARKABLE LIFE
AND
ASTOUNDING REVELATIONS.

THE REAL SIR ROGER.



(From a daguerreotype taken in Chili in the year 1853.)
SIGNATURE OF THE REAL SIR ROGER.
(From a letter written to his mother from Cahir Barracks, Tipperary.)
(From "The Graphic" of March 7, 1874.)

FAC-SIMILE OF THE CLAIMANT'S SIGNATURE AS TICHBORNE.

SUMMARY OF PART I.
Having explained that he was the youngest son of a shipping butcher of Wapping, and that he was born on April 30, 1834, Arthur Orton, in the first instalment of his life and confession, which appeared in "The People" last week, gave an account of his early life, and referred to the fact of his having been apprenticed at the age of 14 to the captain of a small brig, The Ocean, in which he sailed to Chili. There he made an unsuccessful attempt to desert, but at Valparaiso he managed to escape from his indentures, and ultimately found his way to San Francisco. In 1851 he returned to England, and in the following year took ship to Tasmania, where he thoroughly learned the business of a butcher. Subsequent wanderings brought him to New South Wales in about 1860, and at Wagga Wagga, the place made famous by the great trial, he controlled the butchering department of an hotel, earning between £2 and £4 a week. He further stated that he was twice married to Mary Anne Bryant (who was of the same religion as himself, Roman Catholic), first at the house of a Baptist minister in Wagga Wagga, and also in the Catholic Church at Gouldsbourn, New South Wales.

COPY OF SWORN AFFIDAVIT MADE BY ARTHUR ORTON BEFORE A COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS.
I, ARTHUR ORTON, of _____, in the County of London, make oath and say as follows:—

1.—The statements and facts in the manuscript now produced and shown to me and marked A, giving a complete account of my life from 1854 down to the present time, together with my confession, and the whole of the circumstances which induced me to lay claim to the Tichborne Estates, are absolutely true and correct in every particular.

Sworn at _____, in the County of London, this 9th April, 1895, before me,
C. WILKINSON, Commissioner for Oaths,
St. Martin's House, 29, Ludgate Hill, E.C.

PART II.
WHAT INDUCED ORTON TO CLAIM THE TICHBORNE ESTATES.
THE 'CUTE' LAWYER AND THE BUTCHER.



THE CLAIMANT, PHOTOGRAPHED IN SYDNEY, IN 1866.

SLADE AND THE "FUNKY" ADVERTISEMENT.
One Sunday morning Dick Slade returned from Melbourne, where he had been driving cattle in. When he came back he called in to see me about 11 o'clock at my hut. I had just got up and had my breakfast. Dick knew me in the name of Tom Castro, by which name I went in Wagga Wagga. The wife was looking after the dinner, and I was having a pipe after breakfast when Slade called. He came in and said, "Tom, I've brought you a paper, and there's such a funny advertisement in it." I said, "Is there?" He said, "Yes," and thereupon took the paper out of his pocket, and handing it to me, pointing to a certain page, he said, "Here, read that." I read the advertisement, which was in the "Australasian Times." This was the first time that I had seen the Australasian paper. The advertisement stated that Sir James Francis Tichborne was dead, and that Lady Tichborne had heard that her son Roger was out in Australia, and the advertisement concluded by asking him to communicate with her at once. I think the address given was No. 7, Dorset-square, London; but I know the advertisement was signed Henrietta Tichborne.

A LARK WITH SLADE.
While I was reading the advertisement an idea occurred to me that I would have a lark with Slade. I had always told him and everybody in Wagga Wagga, and indeed, in Australia, that I was connected with a good family, and that I was superior to the position I was then holding. Although I had never said who I was, I had always led everybody with whom I came in contact to believe that I was of good family, and that ultimately I should come into great riches. There was not, however, a word of truth in this statement, because I was nothing but a poor man at this time.

HAD NEVER HEARD OF TICHBORNE BEFORE.
Up to this time I had never heard the name of Tichborne in my life. I didn't know who he was, what he was, or where he came from, nor had I ever heard of his name, or seen him. But I had frequently said to Slade, and others, that I was superior to the position I was then holding, and Dick seemed to tumble to it.

DICK SUGGESTS HE IS TICHBORNE.
Then Dick said, "Well, you answer the description of the advertisement." Out of me, devilment, and with the object only of having a lark, I put my hand to my head, and appeared moved in tears. This I did only for fun, but Dick took it seriously, and said, "You know something about it, Tom, then," referring to the advertisement. I did not say either "Yes" or "No," but I gave him a sort of shake of the head, from which he seemed to think that I knew something more than I chose to say. The reason why I pretended to be affected when Slade showed me the paper was because during the whole of the time I lived in Australia I had always represented myself to everybody to be of good family, and I thought I would just play a joke off on Slade.

IGNORANT AS A BARE UNBORN.
As I have already said, I knew no more about the Tichbornes at this time than a baby unborn. This is borne out by the evidence given against me at my trial by McKennis, a Scotch agent employed by the other side—the prosecution—to go out to Chili and other parts of South America and make inquiries with reference to statements I had made about travelling in that country, which he found to tally with Arthur Orton, the Spanish for Arthur, and not with that of Sir Roger Tichborne. McKennis was a very clever fellow, and he was my greatest stumbling block throughout the whole trial, for I had the greatest difficulty imaginable to contradict the evidence which he gave as the result of his inquiries concerning my movements in South America.

about 10 minutes' walk from the shop. About five o'clock on the Sunday afternoon I went, as usual, to the shop, or rather to the slaughter house to slaughter the cattle for the following day. I had a couple of beasts and 10 sheep to slaughter. That would take me about an hour and a half. I was assisted by two men, but I never said anything either to them or anybody else about the advertisement in the paper. When I had finished my work I went home to tea, after which I picked up the Australasian paper which Dick brought me, and which was the first I had seen, and read the general news. After I had done reading it, I left the paper knocking about the hut. I did not see Slade on the following day—the Monday—as I think I told him when he left me on the Sunday that I should have nothing for him to do on the Monday; but when he called at the shop on the Tuesday he said to me, "Have you done with that paper I lent you, Tom?" I said, "Yes," and he said, "I'll probably call for it to-morrow or next day if I'm passing your way. I don't need to call for it on the Tuesday, but on the Thursday he did call at my hut, and my missus gave it to him. Nothing was said in the meanwhile to me by anyone either at the shop or by anyone I met at the shanties.

THE LAWYER CROPS UP.

I don't believe Slade had said anything to anybody except Gibbs, the lawyer, to whom he afterwards took the paper and gave it to him. I went on with my work as usual, never thinking any more about the advertisement, or anything else, and I never heard anything more until the following Sunday morning, when I was leaving the shop, which is adjacent to the Australasian Hotel. I met Mr. Gibbs, the lawyer, who lived next door to the shop. Gibbs was looking up the shop door. Gibbs said to me, "Tom, will you come into my place; I've got something I want to show you." I said, "What is it?" and he said, "Come and see." I walked with him, and went into his place. I met Mrs. Gibbs, his wife, a very nice lady. Gibbs said to his wife, "Where's that paper, my dear?" She produced it, and Gibbs said to me, "I have seen this advertisement," I said, "I don't know what it is?" He then pointed to the advertisement. I said, "Oh, yes, I saw that; Dick Slade showed it to me."

GIBBS IS CURIOUS.
Gibbs then said to me, "Do you know anything about it, Tom?" Thinking I could carry my joke still further, I said, "What's that got to do with anybody whether I do or not?" Gibbs said, "Well, I know you do." I replied, "Well, I know I don't." Gibbs then said, "You know something about it, don't you?" I said, "I don't know anything about it. Why don't you mind your own business?" Gibbs then said, "I've got nothing to drink in the house, and the shanties aren't open yet. He said to his wife, 'Give me a drop of that,' pointing to a bottle. His wife put the bottle from off the sideboard into the cupboard. Gibbs went to the sideboard, took out the bottle, which contained spirits of wine, and pouring out half a tumbler, diluted it with water and drank it.

GIBBS PERSISTS IN HIS IDENTITY.
That settled him, and I remained with him a good half hour. In the course of our conversation he said to me, "This advertisement alludes to you, Tom." I said, "No, it doesn't." "Well," he said, "it's no use your saying it does not, because I know it does; my wife and me picked you out from the description in the advertisement." I said, "No, it ain't." Gibbs then said to me, "Look here, Tom, if you don't own to it, I shall write home and tell your mother where you are and what you're doing." I then pretended to be very annoyed, and told him to mind his own business. I was only carrying on with Gibbs and Slade in a mean joking about this, and the reason I was annoyed was because I didn't want Gibbs to write to a lady I didn't know, because I knew I was not the person referred to in the advertisement. Gibbs knew me as Tom Castro. I knew Gibbs intimately at the hotel as a customer, because his house—a small one—was next to our shop, and the shop and the hotel were kept by my mother, who was the same proprietor. Jimmy Blinn was the manager of the hotel, and I was the slaughterman, or foreman of the butchering business. Gibbs did not ask me whether I was Sir Roger Tichborne, but he said, "My wife and I are convinced that you are by the description in the advertisement."

HARD UP FOR MONEY.

After six or eight months before this occurred—before Slade showed me the paper—I called upon Gibbs and told him that I owed a few pounds in Wagga Wagga, and asked him what he would charge me to run me through the "insolvency court." There are two courts in Australia, and the Bankruptcy Court. If a man goes through the Insolvency Court, he gets his discharge on condition that he pays his debts whenever he has the means, but if he goes through the Bankruptcy Court he is freed from his debts. Gibbs told me that it would cost me £14. I said, "I haven't got £14 in the world." He then said, "Well, it could not be done for less." For the mere devilment of the thing, and just for a lark, it occurred to me and I said, "How would it be if I came into money afterwards?" Gibbs said, "Why, you'd have to pay your debts."

Then I said, "I will not go through the court." His BRAGS OF HIS EXPECTATIONS. Gibbs said, "But do you expect any money then, Tom?" I replied, "Yes; well, I do some day or other." That statement to Gibbs that I expected some money one day was perfectly untrue. It occurred to me, but why I don't know. I merely said it on the spur of the moment, because it came uppermost, and I said it. I hadn't the least idea at that time of getting a penny from anybody in the world, because if I had or had any prospect of getting any money, I should have gone through the court, but as I hadn't got the £14, and knew I was not likely to have it unless I saved it out of my wages, about £3 10s. a week, which was also very unlikely.

WHY THE LAWYER WAS SURE HE WAS TICHBORNE.
When Gibbs saw the advertisement, and he and his wife made up their minds that it referred to me, I have no doubt the fact that I had some time since told him that I expected to be a money one day, although quite false, occurred to him, and led him to suppose that I really should have money at some time. Gibbs said to me several times on that Sunday, and repeated it when I went away, "Look here, Tom, it's no use your denying it, because my wife and I have picked you out from the description, and we are convinced that you are Sir Roger Tichborne. When he said that to me, I said, "Nonsense; pack of rubbish; it has nothing to do with me." He replied, "It's all very well for you to say so, but it does." This interview on the Sunday morning took place in the parlour of his cottage. Although Gibbs said he was convinced in his own mind that I was Sir Roger, I never thought anything of it, because I knew that I was not; in fact, I never did think anything of it—at least up to this time. It was all forced on me, and came about by listening to people who declared that I was Sir Roger. After leaving Gibbs on the Sunday I went home to dinner. I might have told my wife that I had called to see Gibbs, but I did not do so at any other time what had passed between me and him, nor, in fact, did I do so at any time. She was too ignorant even to understand it, if I had. Gibbs kept the matter to himself, and although he was in the hotel at least a dozen times a day, he never mentioned it to anybody either in the bar or the hotel. During the next week I heard nothing more about this matter, and went about my business—in fact, I was too busy to think anything about it. I heard nothing more of the matter until the following Friday evening, when I was in the shop, and about seven o'clock in the evening, Dick Slade happened to come in.

A CHAT IN THE BUTCHER'S SHOP.



Dick had previously told me that the village was named after the family, Tichborne. Dick replied, "Well, I should think about 15 miles." "Well," I said, "I suppose it is about that." I said this, although I knew no more about it than a baby. I didn't know where it was, because I had never been in Hampshire in my life. Tichborne Village is about 15 miles from Basingstoke via Alresford. I don't remember that anything else of importance occurred that night. Up to this time, the Friday evening, I had not formed any idea—in fact I hadn't any—of what I was going to do, and it never occurred to me to ask my mother, or anybody else, about it. I simply carried out my joke, and had a bit of fun with Slade. On the previous Thursday I was standing in the street talking to a friend, when I saw Gibbs coming along. He went into a fruiterer's and bought an orange, and on coming out, waited till my friend had gone. When he had, Gibbs came up to me, and said, "Now, Tom, when are you going to write home?" I said, "What do you mean?" He replied, "Why, its no use your denying it any longer. You know you're Sir Roger. Why (pointing to my pipe in my mouth), there are your initials on your pipe."

THE INITIALS ON THE PIPE.
I had carried previously the letters "R.C.T." on my pipe just for fun, and nothing more. Gibbs then said, "Look here, Tom, it's quite time you wrote home to your mother." I said, "Why don't you mind your own business, and not interfere with mine?" He then said, "Well, Tom, if you don't write to your mother at once, I shall." I said, "You had better stop your interfering, and do something else, but he did write to Lady Tichborne. I was angry when he said he would write to Lady Tichborne, because I did not know her from Eve, and I thought it might get him and me into trouble. He did write to her, but I did not know that for some weeks afterwards.

GIBBS WRITES TO LADY TICHBORNE.
Before he received an answer to his first letter he wrote a second letter to Lady Tichborne, in which he enclosed the letter which he persuaded me to write to her; but I will tell you why I wrote that directly. About three weeks after Gibbs had seen the advertisement in the paper and had written to Lady Tichborne, he met him outside his office and just as I was leaving him he said to me, "It's all right, Sir Roger, we shall soon hear from your mother."

I said, "Here, that's enough of that, don't you call me by that name again." He replied, "All right, I won't; I suppose you don't want anybody here to know." I said, "Very well, I'll keep everything quiet then." A few days after that I met Gibbs again, and he said, "I've written to your mother." I said, "You had better mind your own business, or you'll get yourself into trouble. I mean by that he would get himself into trouble criminally."

Gibbs replied, "Oh, that will be all right. You leave that to me. I know who you are, well enough." A fortnight after that he said to me, "If we don't hear from your mother I should advise you to go to Sydney and go home to England. I'll find you the money replied 'Yes.' I said, 'Will you?' and he replied 'Yes.' For the first time it crossed my mind when he said that, as I was hard up at the time, if I could get some money no matter where or where, I could get away from Wagga Wagga, go to Sydney, and take the boat over to my brother who was then in Panama, and just as I was leaving him he said to me, 'It's all right, Sir Roger, we shall soon hear from your mother.'"

INTERVIEWS THE BANK MANAGER.
Gibbs then asked me to go with him to the Australian Joint Stock Bank, which I did, as I wanted money badly. When we got there he introduced me to Mr. Cottee, the general manager. I knew Mr. Cottee as the bank manager, and he knew me as I had a small private account at the bank, and we served the bank with meat. The firm also banked there. Gibbs introduced me to Mr. Cottee as Sir Roger Tichborne. Mr. Cottee seemed very surprised when Gibbs said I was Sir Roger. Before this Gibbs had been frequently urging me to write to Lady Tichborne, saying I would not stay here, and live the life that you are doing. I should write to my mother, and ask her to send me money to enable me to go to England." He dwelt so much upon this that at last, although I knew I was doing wrong in writing to a lady whom I didn't know, I consented to write a letter to Lady Tichborne.

HE FIRST LETTER TO LADY TICHBORNE.
The reason I wrote the letter was because I was hard pressed for money at the time, and I thought that if she was fool enough to send me any money so much the better. I could then go to Sydney and take the steamer to Panama where I could join my brother, and nobody would ever hear anything more of me. The letter I wrote at Gibbs's suggestion to Lady Tichborne was something like this:—

"Wagga Wagga, Australia, 18—
"My dear Mother,—I have no doubt after so many years that have passed you will have some difficulty in knowing whether it is me that is writing to you."
Then I went on to allude to the celebrated Brighton card case at the Bedford Hotel, Brighton, between Johnnie and Harry Bromes, the champion, and told her that I had lost £1,500 there in playing cards with them. This was just an idea that came into my head, and I said it, although it was perfectly untrue. I knew the Bromes by name, but had never been to Brighton, much less had I ever played cards with them. Then I went on to tell Lady Tichborne that I had a brown mark on my left side, which I had, and that no doubt she would remember it, and oddly enough she did. The letter further stated that I had some other marks. I think I said that I was coffee marked. I asked her to send me out £300 to get home with. I told her I had several preparations to make before I could come home, that my clothes were not good enough for me to come in, and that my wardrobe was not, in fact, fit for a gentleman. I signed the letter—ROGER TICHBORNE.

TALK WITH MR. COTTEE.
Going back to the interview with Mr. Cottee, Gibbs said to him in my presence, "This is the gentleman I was talking to you about, Sir Roger Tichborne." Cottee looked at me, and said, "Is that so?" I said, "Yes, sir." He then said to me, "You must be a very foolish man to know about the colonies like this instead of going home." I said, "Well, it's a very jolly life." Cottee then said, "Well, what do you want me to do?" I then said, "Gibbs wants me to go down to Sydney, and wait there for the answer from my mother, who I have written to ask to send me some money to go home with and to give up working, but I said I cannot do that, as I haven't got any money." Cottee then said, "How much do you want to do that with?" I replied, "I suppose about £50," which he gave me. I gave him a three months' bill in return, which Gibbs accepted. I signed the bill "Roger Charles Tichborne."

COTTEE'S VANCE MONEY.
Cottee thereupon gave me £20 in gold and a draft on the bank office in Sydney for £30. I remember that because I had a lot of trouble in getting the £30, the manager wanting me to sign Roger Charles Tichborne, and I had to put "Bar" in order to get the money. Nobles but Gibbs, Cottee, and myself knew anything about this. Mr. Higgins, my master, had been away in Sydney for some weeks, and during his absence the priest, Father Connelly, had spread it about Wagga Wagga that I had been carrying on a fine old game in his absence, putting money upon my own account at the bank instead of to that of my master, and thereby doing him out of large sums. I didn't like this, so I went and saw Mr. Higgins, and told him all about it. She said, "Don't you take any notice of him. Tom, he is a drunken, worthless fellow, and he won't be there (at the Church) long."

SUBSEQUENT OF ROSSING HIS MASTER.
When my master returned from Sydney, having been away about seven or eight weeks, he asked me how I had been getting along, and I told him all right, adding, "Of course, you have heard that I have been robbing you?" He said he did not believe it, and when I showed him the books and the amount of money I had been taking, he was convinced that it was all lies. I told Higgins that I should leave him, as he had said I had been robbing him, but he said I could not do that. I told him that as I was suspected of robbing him I should leave his service at once. On the Saturday evening I asked him to go with me to the bank as I had a particular reason. He went with me, and I asked Cottee what balance there was to Higgins's account, and he replied £1,336, and £2 to the credit of my private account. This made Higgins all the more anxious, and I had to explain that I had come into a bit of money, and that I was going to England, but I did not tell Higgins that I had assumed the name of Tichborne.

PREPARED TO LEAVE WAGGA WAGGA.
In order to travel from Wagga Wagga to Sydney I had to buy a horse and cart. I bought a cart from Mr. Carter, the baker at Wagga Wagga, and I gave £7 for a beautiful black mare, which I broke into harness. I prepared myself to leave Wagga Wagga as soon as I could. On several occasions after I left my situation with Higgins, Mr. Cottee asked me up to the bank, and I asked Cottee what the evening with him playing cards. Sergeant Carroll was our chief constable, and on one occasion he saw me come out of the bank just before 12 o'clock one night. Cottee had just left me out of the back door, and shut it quickly after I had left. Carroll walked up alongside me, and said, "Holloo, Tom! Is that you, Tom?" I said, "Yes." He said, "Who let you out of the bank at this hour of the night?" I said, "Mr. Cottee." He said, "Mr. Cottee let you out at this hour of the night?" I said, "Yes." He said, "Where are you going to go to late?" I said, "Into the Australasian Hotel to have a drink—will you come in and have one?" We went into the smoking-room, but Carroll left me, asking me if I should be there when he came back. I told him that I should and he then went away returning in a few minutes. He did not tell me, but I guessed he had been up to the bank, and that if my statement was right, and that all was right at the bank. I learnt this afterwards. When Carroll came back he joined me in a drink or two. He knew me as Tom, and I don't think he was told—certainly not by me—that I was Sir Roger. Nobody in Wagga Wagga asked me whether I was any other than Tom Castro, or what I was going to do, and for that I was grateful.

THE BAKER AND THE SEALED LETTER.
Carter, the baker in Wagga, had retired from business, and was about to sail for England. He came to say goodbye to me, and I gave him a letter I had written to him, but asked him to give me his word that he would not open it up, and that if my statement was right, and that all was right at the bank. I learnt this afterwards. When Carroll came back he joined me in a drink or two. He knew me as Tom, and I don't think he was told—certainly not by me—that I was Sir Roger. Nobody in Wagga Wagga asked me whether I was any other than Tom Castro, or what I was going to do, and for that I was grateful.

ON THE WAY TO SYDNEY.
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By JOSEPH HATTON.

The Humour of Tenniel

A propos of the current exhibition of Tenniel's drawings at the Fine Art Society, I have heard critics say Tenniel has no humour. In the first place I suspect this means that he is not cynical. If they said, "Tenniel is not a wit," one could not defend him even if one desired. But to my mind Tenniel is a humourist in the second sense. Apart from his "Punch" illustrations of the humour of "Through the Looking-Glass" his humour good - humorously pretimed. And it has subtlety too. The conscious imbecility that glimmers through the armour-clad dignity of a knight who continually falls from his horse - Tenniel's humour is in his knight on the personality of Henry Mayhew. I have seen the need for an "apology" which the artist sent his friend with a copy of the book in which poor Mayhew will live for a long time to come. Fittingly, the artist's face with its white hair and silky moustache, and the knight in elegant figure to the ponderous figure of the knight was in itself a rare sense of humour, the more so that it was done without offence to Mayhew and his devoted colleagues of "Punch" and "The Illustrated London News." Round table. Mayhew, I suspect, would be in company with at least a momentary shadow of alarm over the fact that on the holidays Mark Lemon, took from his editorial chair. Gilbert A.B. had charge of the paper during Mayhew's absence, and sent a bogus sheet with the cartoon printed away from the front page improperly dated. The paragraph upon which I have just dwelt was inserted on a Tuesday night, and it would reach the editor by the post on Wednesday. Just as

ANTI-COLONIAL POLICY

In France a determined effort is being made by the present administration to reduce the running expenses of the Government. What is known as the anti-Colonial party have come forward and advised the Government to give up all of her colonies except those lying directly on the Mediterranean Sea. This, they claim, will result only in saving large annual appropriations, now required for the maintenance and protection of colonial governments, but will also lessen the danger of the French nation becoming involved in disputes with other countries. The cost of the expedition in Madagascar has been much greater than was anticipated; the colonial appropriation of £3,200,000 has not been sufficient for expenses this year.

One of the great advantages the mother country is getting from her colonial holdings in return for the expenditure upon them are all the goods and arguments in favor of the anti-colonial policy.

Many of the horsehoes used in Australia are made of cowhide.

One of the most remarkable sights to be seen in Australia is a burning bush. It is 1,820 feet in height. The bush is made of a small tree called the eucalyptus. It is a combustible coal seam which some was supposed ignited. It is burning long before the adverse white men to that part of the country.

(WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR "THE PEOPLE.")

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The nightjars, as their name implies, are nocturnal birds flying about very noiselessly. Their mouth is of an astonishing size.

"The Prude's Progress" had not exactly crowded premiere, but some very interesting people were there. Very conspicuous was an unconventional-looking Mr. Hall Caine, who brought his wife. He made a striking contrast to the modest, unassuming Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bruce, Mrs. Jerome, and Mrs. Oscar Beringer were present.

The benefit performance at the Gaiety Theatre was a notable testimony to the popularity of Mr. Edmund Payne. The clever little actor has not long been known in the London playing public. He was first in the representations of "Faust" and "Date," given at the Gaiety by Ma-

The case is an exceptionally painful one, serving one, as the Anglers' Beneficial Society have very properly recognised. Further help is needed, to which it is hoped the clubs, when appealed to, will generously respond.

The report that illegal netting goes on in the Thames cannot be too widely

It has been said that the English can never make sure of winter being until after "the glorious First of Our recent woful experiences fully h that depressing theory; within the br pass of a week our delightful clima us the rigours of winter and the h

people been concluded, and in each case a verdict was given. The manners and customs of the bicycle trade, as disclosed in the *Philpot v. the Rudge Cycle Co.*, were curious, to say the least of it, and the learned judge were of a pessimistic character. As regards *Baileys v. Wilsons*, it was absurd to take so

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OVERHEARD BY ONE OF THE STAFF
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"I CANNOT THINK WHAT CAN BE THE MATTER WITH ME
(A FREQUENT REMARK.)

HAVE you a dry, harsh, scaly skin, with puffiness about the eyes, an itching pain in the side which extends to the shoulders, tenderness over the region of the stomach, accompanied by a slight enlargement of the organ; thirst, drowsiness, yellowness about the edges of the tongue, bilious feelings, heaving, dry, variable appetite, irregular bowels, cold hands and feet, with an inability to keep warm, a disagreeable taste in the mouth, blotches or pimples on the

and ask, with disturbed sleep? If so

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THROUGH READING

WONDERFUL TESTIMONIAL

"I HAD been reading the wonderful testimonials published in the papers, but not one of them so extraordinary and marvellous with which I personally and thoroughly acquainted." The above extract from a letter received from Mr. A. Little, Hensbridge-place, St. John's Wood, London, N.W., ex-

her willingness to give fullest particulars of the interview, which he willingly granted, he narrated the following facts, which were amplified and corroborated by his wife, Mrs. Lister. He said:—"A very young man, now 25 years old, was, at the age of 12 years, afflicted with an abscess of run king sort, at the chin. His was treated for some time by the parietal, but eventually was compelled to go into the Hospital, where she remained three years, being treated by the parietal, and the abscess was discharged as incurable with three abscesses. She then came under the care of the parish doctor, who did the disease as King's Evil, and stated that he could do nothing whatever to cure it. The unfortunate girl was, however, the abscess spreading to the face and neck, the chin and leg, until her whole body was covered with these loathsome sores. One day became so full of pieces of diseased bone as to appear upon the position of the abscess, and she was obliged to cut off the greatest one one joint shorter than it should be if it

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—THE HYGIENIC METHOD. Sufferers from Scrofula, Eczema, Red Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, Bores of any kind, should give it a trial and test its

"THE PEOPLE" MIXTURE.

Louis XIV. had 132 wives in his wardrobe. In 1884 gunpowder cost for 414 per cent. In London 1,000 births and 1,389 deaths were registered last week.

There were no fewer than 16 cases of suicide last week in the metropolis. It is estimated that in England one woman in every six earns her own living. It is claimed that there are 850 Jews in the United Kingdom. There are 1,000 inhabitants of Egypt. Corsets have been found on the waists of Egyptian mummies. Gloves with separate fingers were unknown before the 12th century. Wyoming has 30,000 square miles of coal deposits.

Three new novels a day are issued by London publishers. One-seventh of the territory of France is composed of forest. Rice is said to be the staple food of nearly one-half of the human race. The Russian imperial crown is valued at £1,200,000.

It is the custom in Lima, Peru, to keep animals on the roof of the houses. In many parts of the West Indies, shark-doll is used in the lamps. Some valuable use has been found for every part of the maize plant. The English town with the highest rate of mortality last week was Preston—25.7 per 1,000.

A curious present for a deaf person has been introduced in Germany—a fan, delectably scented with a tiny ear trumpet in its stick. It is calculated that in large ocean steamers like the Campania more than 3,000 articles of glass and china are broken on every voyage. Fifteen years ago 3,000 bicycles were annually produced in England. During the year 60,000 were manufactured here. Middle's circulating library has 3,000,000 books constantly in circulation, and employs 173 people.

Some of Burns' admirers in the Dalkeith district are proposing to erect a memorial to the bard. A proposal comes from a leading educationist to teach girls the principles of chivalry towards the male sex.

The poorer and cheaper varieties of snuff are sometimes made from refuse stems and leaves. Medical men have discovered that caustic potash is a remedy for anæmia, and that chloride of gold will cure "religious mania." The pupil of the eye contracts or expands in order to admit more or less quantity of light, that objects may be clearly seen.

People turn their faces towards a sound in order to hear it better, because, then, the sound is conveyed to both ears. The patella, or kneecap, projects in front of the knee to afford a proper fulcrum for some of the muscles of the leg. The embryo of the seeds of plants the more numerous they are. A single plant of spleenwort will produce over 1,000,000 seeds.

The leaders of a flock of migrating wild geese become tired sooner than others, and are frequently relieved by their fellows in the preparatory stages of existence, and, finally, when perfect, live but a few hours. The number of ordinary passenger trains run on Sundays in Great Britain is over 350,000 a year, having more than doubled since 1867.

A Manchester man carries on his person a complete pickpocket alarm system. Removal of his watch, pin, or jewellery causes the ringing of a bell. A freak attempt is to be made, in the case of the Midland Railway, to procure an abandonment of the enormous Sunday goods traffic now carried on.

Messrs. Holt and Co., Liverpool have given a contract for two steamships, each of 7,000 tons, to Messrs. Scott and Co., Greenock. They are intended for the China trade. The house of a woman named Hilliard, near Listowel, has been attacked by a party of moonlighters, who fired several revolver shots and then decamped.

The steamer Liverpool Prince arrived at Montreal from Liverpool 23 days away, whose presence on board was only discovered when the steamer was out at sea. The State Apartments of Windsor Castle will be open to the public every week day, Wednesdays excepted, under the usual regulations, until further orders.

There are 60 banks in the United States where women are employed, and, curiously enough, out of the whole number all, save one, are either married or are widows. All the 320 cadets of the German Army who passed the ensign's examination the other day will have to pass it again, as 16 of them are found to have "copied."

There are 2,934 persons in Great Britain who pay tax on an income of more than £3,000 a year, and 975 who pay taxes on more than £10,000.

Cats and several other animals have a false eyelid, which can be drawn over the eyeball, either to cleanse it, or to protect it from too strong a light.

The deaths registered last week in 33 great towns of England and Scotland corresponded to an annual rate of 17.6 per 1,000 of their aggregate population, which is estimated at 10,891,830 persons in the middle of this year.

It has been computed that the death rate of the globe is 68 per minute, 97,790 per day, or 35,717,790 per year. The birth rate is 70 per minute, 100,890 per day, or 36,817,200 per year, reckoning the year to be 365.25 days in length.

Here is a further addition to the list of ladies who are "chairmen" of parish councils. Mrs. M. Hare, widow of the captain of the ill-fated Eurydice, has been elected "chairman" of the Abbots Kerswell Parish Council, in Devonshire.

A chemical works on the banks of the Rhine, in the canton of Geneva, is devoted to the manufacture of artificial musk, and it is found that the fishes, more especially the trout, in the river, which are caught in the neighbourhood, have a musky flavour.

Whilst a carter, named Linnson, of Southampton, was endeavouring to get on a wagon of which he was in charge while in the act of motion, he fell to the ground, and the wheel of the vehicle passed over his neck. He was at once picked up and taken to the infirmary, where he soon died.

According to the trials of carrier pigeons recently made in the American Navy, these birds are likely to prove very useful in carrying despatches. Only 10 per cent. of the pigeons sent off failed to return "home," and some of the "homers" covered 200 miles of ocean at a speed of 30 miles an hour.

Of the 15 cases of rabies reported last week, 11 were from the West Riding, two from London, and one each from Derbyshire and Lancashire. Nine of the West Riding cases were dogs, while one horse and a sheep died from the disease in all the counties. All the diseased animals were compulsorily slaughtered.

"To my certain knowledge," writes a correspondent, "the lark is no longer so plentiful as it once was in the vicinity of London." The correspondent means the lark alive. As for the lark dead in London, it is computed that 400,000 of the birds are "swearing every street" for the gourmands' tables every year at Leadenhall Market alone.

The Burton magistrates have decided a case of great interest. Four boys stoned and killed a tame seagull on the river, and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals prosecuted. It was contended it was a "domesticated animal" and that the killing was within the meaning of the Act. The bench

found, however, that a seagull was not a domesticated animal. The Princess of Wales is a lover and collector of fine and rare lace. Some of the restaurants in Germany serve food on paper plates. Never allow left over coffee or tea to stand in tin.

The Equimaux make waterproof clothing of the intestines of the walrus. A whale when struck by a harpoon cannot swim faster than nine miles an hour. The crocodile's egg is about the size of that of a goose.

The only wooden shoe factory in Iowa is at Pella, the Hollanders' community, in Marion county. A little machine for sewing on buttons, just invented, is likely to prove a boon to bachelors.

Five-cent telegrams are to be tried in Italy. The Government is also trying to have the tariff with other European countries reduced. Marshal Canrobert left property in England of the value of £9,000, requiring the probate of his will in that country.

The possible "permutations and combinations" of a game of dominoes are reckoned at 248,520,211,840. Scientists prove from authorized returns that only 505 cases are known of persons having second attacks of small-pox.

April 23, 1564, is the supposed birth date of William Shakespeare at Stratford-upon-Avon. He died on this date in 1616. "Where was Magnus?" asked a South London board school.

It is estimated that the Gulf Stream takes about two years to flow from America to Norway. Rates may be got rid of by stuffing their runs with dry hay that has been well seasoned with cayenne pepper.

Artificial rubies now so closely resemble the genuine stones that it is difficult for even jewelers to distinguish them. Fish may be kept fresh for several days by sprinkling them with powdered borax and keeping them in a cool, dry place.

There is a butterfly of India which, if pursued by a bird, simply alights on a bush or a tree and becomes invisible by mimicking the leaves. The Japanese begin building their houses at the top. The roof is first built and elevated on a skeleton frame. Then it affords shelter to the workmen from storms.

Sarah Grand married at 16 and for some time lived with her husband in China. Since then she has travelled all over the world with her circus troupe. In order to remove a glass stopper from a bottle heat the neck by holding over it a lighted match, or by pouring hot water over it.

Yucatan exports better hammocks and greater numbers of them than any other province in the world. They are made entirely by hand, and from a fibre which is unexcelled. The priests cannot preach on politics in Austria-Hungary. The superior of the order in Vienna removed a priest who broke the rule recently, and made the reason public.

A horse is an employee fully within the judicial meaning of the term. An intricate legal contention in the county court at Baffins had ended in this ruling. The total number of capital letters in the whole Bible is 106,990, of small capitals 6,597, and of lower case 3,452,593; grand total of letters, including one E, 3,565,481.

Darwin was a great smoker, and though he read everything the papers had to say against the cigarette, he rarely seen without one in his fingers or his lips. Gen. Martinez Campos, who has been sent from Spain to subdue the Cuban insurrection, is 61. He has been an officer for nearly 40 years, and during half that time the first soldier of Spain.

On the measured mile the Sturgeon, the latest British torpedo boat destroyer, built at Harland, attained a speed of 29 knots, but a new trial will be necessary, owing to a hitch in the three-hour test.

Dahomey's Black Star is the latest order of knighthood recognised in France. It is conferred by King Toffa, who rules as Behanzin's successor in Porto Novo, and French officers may wear it.

Kaiser Wilhelm's latest picture, which represents the spirit of the German Empire, is now being exhibited in a ship at Kiel. His majesty has painted the following inscription at the foot of the picture: "To my ironclad Hagen."

The annual accounts of St. Paul's School show it to be in a flourishing financial condition. The total receipts for the past year, including the balance brought forward, amounted to £23,308 3s. 3d., of which nearly £20,000 was received from rents. The payments came to £22,377 9s. 6d., leaving a balance of £1,030 13s. 10d.

At a sale which took place recently at Glangwa, the residence of Mr. W. H. Graves, lord-lieutenant of Carnarvonshire, an old and very dirty picture was bought for £5 by a gentleman, who sent it to Christie's in order to ascertain if it was of any value.

The painting, it is believed, is a missing Rubens, and is roughly valued at £7,000. The Legion of Honour is an expensive luxury for the French. It appears that the pensions—only granted to naval and military men—come this year to a heavy total. There are 34 grand crosses entitled to £120 a year each, 176 grand officers to £80 each, 811 commanders to £40 each, 639 officers to £20 each, and 25,441 knights to £12 each. The old medals entitled to small pensions for military medals number 8,199.

The special product of Devonshire—clotted cream—is sold by weight, says one of the assistant Royal Agricultural Commissioners, at the same price as butter. Even the farmer makes it, and the demand seems to be almost as great as for butter. Why this easily-produced article, which ranks as a luxury, and one may almost say a rarity, in most parts of the country, should be practically confined to Devonshire, I have never been able to understand.

Mr. Churton, coroner, held an inquest at Waverton, near Chester, on the body of Samuel Clark, furnaceman, Monks Coppel-ball, Crewe. Deceased left home a few days ago, when he had some money and a watch in his possession. On Sunday morning his body was found in the canal at Waverton. There was no money or watch in his pockets, but there was a pawn ticket for £50, and four shillings and sixpence, the coroner remarking that it was a suspicious case.

The decision of the committee of which Lord Harris is chairman has been given in the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill, which was in effect a compromise of the differences between that company and the Metropolitan Company. Should the Metropolitan Company agree to have powers to purchase and take over the railway within six months after completion. Other terms have been agreed between the two companies which will form the subject of an agreement.

A remarkable ecclesiastical complication has occurred in connection with the vacant rectory of Hinxhill, Kent. Under the impression that the presentation rested with them, the Chapter of Canterbury appointed a clergyman to the living; but it was afterwards discovered that the choice on this occasion lay with Sir J. Honeywood, the co-patron, the Roman Catholic, but, by his qualification to exercise the patronage is affected, and the gift, therefore, falls, not into the hands of the Dean and Chapter, but of Oxford University. The living is only worth £100 a year.

Rice was cultivated in India many years before the historical period. Barley is mentioned on some of the earliest of Egyptian monuments. There were fought 2,261 engagements during the war of the rebellion. The peasant women of Japan do not wear any form of head-dress.

Only about one man in every 25 who seeks to enlist in the United States Army is accepted. The estimated population of the world on Jan. 1, 1895, was 1,600,000,000. Japan hopes to become the centre of the civilisation, a civilisation better than any in Europe.

In India, it is said, the native barber will shave you while you sleep, so light is his touch. Some of the little bronze images of Chinese deities are supposed to have an antiquity of 3,000 years in Paris are urged to use no soap save that made by a Socialist co-operative company.

Four thousand pictures have been sent to the Champs Elysees Salon this year, but only 1,800 can be accepted. The late Miss Heaven, of Manchester, has left the South American Missionary Society a legacy of £2,000, free of duty.

The microscope shows that the human body is covered with scales, each scale covering 500 pores. Figures by experts in vital statistics prove that not less than 4,647,500 human beings die on our globe each century.

Only six persons out of each 1,000 born live to be 70 years old, and only one out of the same number reaches the century mark. Huxley's tables show that the human body is made up of 13 different elements, of which five are gases and eight solids.

The average height of man in the United States is 5ft. 10in.; in England 5ft. 9in.; in France, 5ft. 8in.; in Belgium, 5ft. 6in. Ladies who kiss their lap dogs will be glad to know that dogs are one of the great agencies in spreading disease, especially consumption.

The city of Sydney, Australia, has imposed a fine of £1 upon any person convicted of spitting upon the floor of public buildings or upon the street.

It is now sharing his honours in Paris with M. Zeldernust, a Dutch pianist, and whom the Paris critics compare to Rubenstein.

Vital statistics prove that, taking the world over, there are 109 women to every 100 men. Out of every nine sudden deaths reported, eight of the number are men. In one out of every 100 deaths, there is an average of 1 death and 14 births per second. Only one-half of all who are born into the world live to the age of 17 years.

The latest anthropological statistics prove that in America the daily, monthly, and yearly number of births exceeds the deaths in the ratio of 3 to 1. The highest peak in New Zealand, 12,362ft. high, has just been climbed for the first time by Mr. Fitzgerald, of the Alpine Club, and the Swiss guide Zurbriggen.

A Pennsylvania woman named Discord has married a Buckeye farmer by the name of Harmony. The eternal fitness of things would suggest that their first daughter should be named Concord.

Nebraska boy hanged himself for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not that mode of executing the death penalty was painful. The coroner is of the opinion that in this particular case it was.

A Dominican friar, Father Calandolli, is credited with the invention of an electrical type-setting machine which has five times the speed of the boasted type-setting machines of the present.

Canned fruits and vegetables should be opened an hour or two before being used. In this way they become richer, as the oxygen of the air driven off at the time of sealing is restored to them.

Each fabric factory now uses a cover coffin in Russia. For a child or young person a pink shade of cloth is the custom, crimson is the style for the coffin of a married woman, and brown for widows.

A man named Durant has won a bet at Marseilles by standing on a pedestal in the public place for three consecutive weeks. He was nearly exhausted after the performance, and may not recover.

Though the Chitral expedition has demolished our old friend, the Akound of Swat, it has introduced us to one more melodious, the Mullah of Manki. He lives in retirement, and advises everyone not to fight. Placed end to end, the mountains of the whole world would extend from the Mansion House across the entire continent of Europe and beyond the Ural mountains into Asia.

A magazine, the first to appear in the West Indies, is to be published soon in the island of Antigua. Its name will be the "Carib." There is considerable unknown history and romance in the island of the Spanish Main and the Antilles to make it interesting.

The Bon Marché, the great drapery store of Paris, employs 4,000 attendants. They are fed on the premises. The kitchen in which their food is prepared is the largest in the world, and gives employment to 60 cooks and 100 assistants.

Joining the Roussens herbarium, comprising 1,500 plants, is offered for sale at Orleans. It was given after his death by his widow to his physician, and was sold once before in 1822. Rousseau's love of nature was genuine, and his attainments as a botanist were considerable.

The first great boxing matches were instituted by Lucius Tarquinius, the fifth King of Rome. They were varied with sham fights, wrestling contests, and other physical exercises. The boxers sometimes fought with gloves in which lead had been sewed.

William Hooper, deputy-superintendent of the Board of Trade at Southampton, has been convicted for trial charged with embezzling £200 given to him by a seaman to be deposited. An entry of receipt appeared in the depositor's book, but not in the Board of Trade accounts.

Sugar-cane cultivation is very popular with the labourers at Tobago, and is principally worked on the estate known as the "Metairie System." The labourers plant and cultivate the land, and the owner of the estate manufactures the crop, each then taking half of the produce. This mode of cultivation has been in force for half a century.

The Countess of Pembroke has addressed the following letter to the people of Wiltshire: "Dear People of Wiltshire—Mr. and Mrs. Lord Pembroke, wished me to tell you, when he left Wilton for the last time, how much he loved you. This was his farewell. Tell the people of Wiltshire how much I loved them—Yours ever faithfully, G. Pembroke."

As Manchester, Boddington's Breweries sued Mrs. Mountford for 7s. 6d. for a cask of beer. The case was that the barrel of beer was returned. It was undrinkable, owing to the fact that a dead rat was in it. The traveller declared, according to defendant, that there were rats in all beer. The judge declined to believe the story, and found a verdict for plaintiff.

A horrible affair is reported from Cookstown, co. Tyrone. A farmer named Rogers, who lived in a mountainous district, about six miles from the town, while bringing in his cattle, was attacked by a bull. Some neighbours working in the vicinity, hearing the old man's cries, ran to his assistance, but before the bull was driven off Rogers had received

such terrible injuries that he died while being carried to his dwelling. A nightingale's song can be heard at the distance of one mile. There are 22 newspapers in Kansas which are edited by women. The average duration of life in India is 24 years. In England it is 44 years.

The condor is the highest flying bird known. It spends most of its time floating three miles above sea level. The difference between brandy and whisky is that the former is a fruit and the latter a grain product.

Blood oranges are now prepared artificially, the ordinary oranges being punctured with a small quantity of claret injected. It is estimated that in London alone nearly one million pawnticks are issued every week for some under 10s.

The well-known Frankfurt banker, Herr Kohn Speyer, has died of apoplexy at his villa at Koenigsstein. Beggers in China are taxed and certain districts allotted to them in which to make appeals for charity.

The salary list of the Bank of England, including pensions, aggregates £200,000 per annum. There are 1,100 employees in the Bank.

To prevent the evaporation of water in fire pails it has been discovered that 15 to 20 drops of oil will form a coating sufficient to obviate the difficulty.

As the White Star liner Caledonia entered New York harbour she caused some delay in bringing her to her anchorage. It is said that Mrs. Theodore Ruggles Kitson, the wife of the sculptor, H. H. Kitson, will be the only woman represented in the coming exhibition of the American Sculpture Society.

Insp. Mackintosh, of Leeds, has been appointed Justice of the Peace for the East of Yorkshire of £200 a year. Mr. Mackintosh commenced life as a constable at Dewsbury, and joined the Leeds force in 1882.

Numerous experiments to determine the best fire-resisting materials for the construction of doors have proved that wood covered with tin resisted the fire better than an iron door.

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A German doctor has been publishing the results of a long course of visual examination. He finds that only in one case out of 15 are both eyes in good condition. In seven cases out of every 10 people possess one eye which is stronger than the other. It is estimated that out of five patients are affected with astigmatism. Nearly 50 per cent. possess only an imperfect appreciation of colours.

The latest return of vital statistics of Melbourne and suburbs shows that the population at the end of 1894 was 438,955, as compared with 444,832 at the end of the previous year. This shows a decline during the year of 5,877, or 1.3 per cent., as compared with a 6 per cent. decline in 1893. As, however, there was a gain of 6,801 by excess in births over deaths, the total loss to the metropolitan population was 12,678 by migration to the country districts or to other colonies or countries.

An extraordinary murder trial has taken place in Brisbane, prisoner being a deaf mute named August Kovally, 35. He was absolutely uneducated, and the only means of communicating with him which the most patient inquirer had been able to discover was by pantomime. Even then only few things could be made intelligible to him. Kovally had with a heavy stick battered the life out of his stepfather. He was adjudged unfit to plead.

and remanded to gaol during the pleasure of the Crown. The reign of the time of Louis XIV. were made of horsehair and tow. The Home Secretary has promised to open a new town hall at Morley, his native place, in October.

Mr. James Bailey, the new M.P. for Walsworth, is to be entertained at a dinner by his political friends. Canon Fremantle will leave Canterbury to take up his duties as Dean of Ripon at the latter end of June.

Mr. Merritt Fox has been re-elected for the 10th time the people's warden for St. Saviour's, St. George's-square. A Jersey City burglar was identified in court by the affection of a dog which accompanied him on his business trips.

The foundation-stone of the new buildings at Deptford Foreign Cattle Market will be laid on the 14th of next month. The Leeds Musical Festival will take place in the first week in October. Sir A. Sullivan will be the conductor.

Perhaps the largest camellia in existence is at Philips Castle, near Dresden, Germany. The tree is 24 feet high, and annually produces about 50,000 blossoms.

Mr. T. Nunneley, engineer, of Leeds, brother of Dr. Nunneley, died from hydrophobia, the result of a scratch on the hand by a dog with which he was playing. The dog afterwards went mad and was destroyed.

The Persians are very fond of referring to the father of the people they abuse. To call a man the son of a burnt father implies that his parent is expiating his sins in an undesirable place, and that he himself will probably meet the same fate.

The Edinburgh Town Council has conferred the freedom of the city on the Earl of Haverford, in recognition of his services as governor of Victoria, and in testimony to the respect in which his lordship is held by the magistrates and the council.

Mr. A. Nobel, of the wealthy Swedish family who own the famous oil wells in Baku, has promised to contribute half of the expenses of Mr. André's expedition to the North Pole (about £3,000), provided the other half is obtained within two months.

Sir T. Mellivaine, ex-Premier of Queensland, who has been for several months lying very ill in London, has now got the use of his limbs, and, though still far from well, is getting better. Lady Mellivaine is on her way to this country to join the ex-Premier.

It is expected that the Rhode Island State census, which is to be taken in June, will show that the population has increased to about 380,000. In 1870 the total number of inhabitants was 217,353; in 1880 it was 276,531.

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We are now on the threshold of the great carnival at Epsom, and are almost face to face with the opening of the blue ribband of the Derby. I shall not remember the time, I think, when I was so ill as to write so far as I can see, it appears to be anybody's to attempt to work out the probable result. I look of form would be to set oneself an impossible task. I shall not, therefore, attempt to find the winner that way. Never with memory have the dark division and outsiders had probable chances given them as lies within the range of possibility. I shall, therefore, not record definitely in my latest notes. Of the dark Troon seems to have found substantial support. Market, but I hear from Newmarket that this is a mistake, for far from being on his feet, he is still in the hands of the King's College. Tarporley is not at all likely to start, as he is veined spints. With regard to Le Var, I call it that although yet another home question, but I think he has a chance of being one of the other three-year-olds in Porter's classic stables. It is a slight doubt existent as to his being recorded as the £10,000 Princess of Wales's Stakes, at Newmarket, as the Derby is the only one of the three-year-olds. Johnstone will scarcely let a Derby slip from his hand. In my latest notes I shall have more to say on the probable second Common. The market is more about that time. I think it will have to have been improved since the day if he is to win. He remains first favourite. I do not like these uncertain customers when we have the Derby analysis. He may possibly do some good business in the Derby market. I have been told the lion's heart of the market.

The respondent was prosecuted, found that the words "resorting thereto" in the Act of Parliament did apply to the members of the club coming into the club to bet, but only as strangers. He found each of the appellants had bet with any stranger, but not with members of the club, and he accordingly mislaid the information. Appellant, who was a member of the City Police, asked to be allowed to appear and adduce evidence in support of his case, which was case now before the Divisional Court.—Mr. Pollock and Mr. C. Mathews appeared for appellant; and J. Walton for respondents.—Their lordships dismissed the appeal, with costs.

A daring robbery was committed at the King's Arms, at Boxley, near Maidstone, Monday. The thieves entered the house broad daylight, and stole between £200 and £300 from the landlady's bed-room. The thieves set the room on fire with a view of creating a great confusion and enabling them to escape. They got clear away.

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OUR NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE

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